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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This is filed in response to the Non-final Office Action mailed June 27, 2003 in the above-noted U.S. Patent Application. Kindly enter the following proposed Remarks.

A three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for response three months, up to, and including, December 27, 2003, along with the necessary fee. Please charge any additional fees required in connection with the papers transmitted herewith to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No. 22620/1222.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.